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Now is the time for that chamber of commerce.

Are you a citizen of Lancaster? If so, what are you doing to help the community?

Camden is not the only town of which the following from The Wateree Messenger is true: "We put on airs and graces of a city and have the finances and brains of a village."

It now looks as if the extraordinary session of Congress will be prolonged until the regular session in December. It is hot weather for the law-makers but the President is sticking by them.

Senator Tillman admits that he made as much as \$25,000 a year on the lecture platform, yet he objects to Mr. Bryan doing what he did. But anybody who has kept up with the history of Ben Tillman knows that he has always a bundle of inconsistencies.

We note that Kershaw, Abbeville and other counties are beginning to get ready for the county fairs in their respective counties. Why can't Lancaster pull off a county fair this fall? Won't some of our enterprising citizens take the matter up and put it through?

A call to all the farmers of the state to meet with the State Farmers' Union at the Isle of Palms on July 23-24 has been issued by President E. W. Dabbs. We urge upon all of our farmers who can possibly do so to attend the meeting. The Isle of Palms is a delightful resort, and the two days' meeting will do you good, aside from the information to be had by attending the meeting of the State Farmers' Union. Remember that the invitation is to ALL farmers.

Governor Blease says "Senator Tillman ruined himself with the people of South Carolina when he went about lecturing instead of remaining in Washington and attending to the business of the senate." The senators says he never "left Washington while the senate was in session exceeding a half dozen times to deliver lectures." Yet the poor old fellow is out in a criticism of Mr. Bryan for doing only what he admits he did himself. So we are glad Governor Blease is blistering Tillman. He can't pile it on too heavy.

And poor old Senator Tillman, who went all over the country making sensational speeches for pay, is out in a criticism of Mr. Bryan for delivering lectures. He is quoted as saying, "While his speaking tours will serve a good purpose in that he always preaches true democracy and patriotism and Christian living, he can never again appear as a knight-errant of democracy." The senator also says, "The impression prevails, though I don't know how well founded it is, that Mr. Bryan has made a great deal of money since 1896." Indeed, and the same impression prevails that the once mighty Ben Tillman has done likewise since he entered public life.

SHE WILL BE MISSED.

There passed hence this week a noble woman, rich in good works and known throughout the state for her loyalty to a cause which though lost will always be dear to the people of the South. Mrs. August Kohn loved this cause devotedly. She was for two terms president of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of South Carolina and had been honored by appointments in the general convention. She will be missed in the social life and civic work of Columbia, for she had been actively identified with all of its best interests. Mrs. Kohn was a woman of unusual charm. She was cultured, tactful and of fine executive ability. She will be missed by the members of the State Press Association, having attended its meetings for many years and endeared herself to its members. The state is poorer for her passing but richer for her having lived and labored among us.

TIME TO DO SOMETHING.

We are glad that at last the President of the United States is about to take some action in reference to the disgraceful butcheries going on in Mexico. Citizens of the United States have been killed and millions of dollars worth of property destroyed. The desperadoes have even crossed over to the American border and killed citizens of this country, and notwithstanding all, the government of the United States has stood idly by and done nothing. The people of other countries reside in Mexico and have property there and yet under our Monroe doctrine we will not permit other nations to intervene, claiming our exclusive right to do so. Now the other powers are calling on the United States to take some action. So it is now squarely up to us to do something. We intervened between Spain and Cuba and took the latter country under our protection for consideration far less weighty than those demanding our intervention in Mexico. We have got to do it sooner or later. Mexico has long been a menace to this country. Her revolutions are periodical and unless we intervene they will continue to be so. James G. Blaine, one of the brainiest men this country ever produced, advocated the annexation of Mexico more than a quarter of a century ago. We hope and believe that President Wilson will take a decided step in the matter at once, after he has conferred with our minister to Mexico, who has been summoned to Washington for an interview.

SPEAK ON, MR. BRYAN.

Mr. Bryan has been criticised and nagged at ever since he entered public life, and mainly because he does not hesitate to give the people good, wholesome advice at all times on matters moral, religious and political. So it is not surprising now that a hue and cry is being raised because he chooses to spend his leisure hours in lecturing to the people of the country. In other administrations, the cabinet officers, even the presidents have taken jaunts across the country and some of the cabinet officers even went out of the country and nothing has been said about it. President Wilson recently spent a week at his summer home in New Hampshire and not a single voice was raised against it. But because Mr. Bryan chooses to combine business with pleasure by making paid lectures, a great hullabaloo is raised by it and Senator Bristow of Kansas gets smart and in an effort to belittle Mr. Bryan introduces his resolution requesting the President to furnish Congress with information relative to what salary would be adequate for the secretary of state. This was a very small thing for Mr. Bristow to do and will belittle him rather than the object of his wrath. No, at the bottom of it all is a deep-seated animosity to Mr. Bryan because he will talk out in meeting and give the people good, wholesome advice, all of which is extremely distasteful to certain people who do not like him.

WE WILL NOT LET UP.

We have been urging from time to time the importance of our citizens organizing themselves into a business club, league or chamber of commerce for the purpose of advancing the interests of the town. If our business men do not soon bestir themselves they will find out when it is too late that much of the business that should naturally come to Lancaster has been drawn to other surrounding towns. Is it possible that our individual business men are so much engrossed in their own private affairs that they have no time to devote to the public good? Each and all of you owe much to the place in which you have made a business success and should be willing to make some little sacrifice for the community. We have no agency whatever whose business it is to push the town on. What we are accomplishing is not due to combined or co-operative effort, but to the inherent good located here. We have citizens, good men, who are so absorbed in their own affairs, that they do not take time even to get together on the streets and discuss the needs of the town. How long is this to continue? Won't some one take the lead and organize the men into a chamber of commerce?

We are losing many opportunities of advertising Lancaster just because of a lack of co-operative spirit. For instance, the Columbia real estate exchange is about to send a boosting party into the middle west and have asked fifty South Carolina towns to join in the enterprise. We presume Lancaster was included in that number. A meeting of those who wish to be represented on this trip will be held in Columbia on July 29. Now if our business men were organized, there would be no doubt about our sharing the benefits of this undertaking, but as it is we probably will not be represented. Two agents will

travel in advance of the party and advertise their coming. Mr. W. B. Dozier of Columbia, who is chairman of the committee of arrangements, has this to say of the plans for the trip:

"This is not an undertaking for the benefit of any one town. Neither will any particular resources be featured. It is a movement to advertise the entire state of South Carolina and every section of the state will reap the benefits. The expenses of the tour will be divided among the cities or commercial bodies represented."

"The boosting party will travel in Pullman cars. A baggage car will also be a part of the arrangements and this will be used for the purpose of showing a display and exhibits from the state."

Are other towns of less importance to enjoy the benefits of an advertising scheme like this while Lancaster goes without? This is just a reminder of a splendid opportunity we may miss if we sit idle. We are losing something all the time because we will not get together. We can but call these things to your attention. Why will our people stand so in their own light? Can't they see how much we are missing? Even at the risk of boring you with our plea, we expect to keep talking for the organization of a board of trade. And we will not let up until the thing is done.

DANGER FROM AUTOMOBILES.

The News has from time to time been calling the attention of our citizens to the great danger of accidents from the fast driving of automobiles upon the streets of the town. And we have done so from a sense of duty we feel we owe the public. It has been a wonder to many people of our town that some person has not been killed at one of the street crossings. Shocking accidents are now happening with great frequency and yet the car of Juggernaut speeds on its way leaving death and destruction in its wake. The writer has just received news of the tragic death of a very near and dear friend in a Western city by being run over by an automobile. A week or ten days ago the daughter of a prominent Charleston attorney was hurled to her death from a machine and only a few months ago a young lady in Charlotte was done to death by one of these machines. Whilst it is right and proper that the owners of automobiles should get all the pleasure possible out of their machines, yet they should use the utmost care, especially where they are likely to collide with persons and objects. How horrible the thought of running over and crushing the life out of some one! If some such accident should happen in our midst, how much would we be impressed with the importance of observing safe and sane rules in operating motor machines. But why learn the lesson at such fearful cost?

"HOGGISHNESS."

We are glad the "old man" is taking a vacation but in his absence we wish The Rock Hill Record would be a little more careful to give the proper credit to editorials from other papers. In its last issue, under the caption "Hoggishness" is reproduced verbatim et literatim an editorial from The News of last Tuesday, which appears as original matter in The Record. We suggest to our contemporary that there are other manifest forms of the swinish instinct besides those displayed by the "end-seat" or the "whole-seat" animal.

WHAT WILL THE HARVEST BE?

The statement has been given out that Governor Blease, Senator McLaurin, Editor Green, of The Anderson Intelligencer and Editor Grist of The Yorkville Enquirer, were seen to get in an automobile at Hendersonville, N. C., recently. It remains to be seen what the result of this gathering will be. Possibly George may be side-tracked and Johnnie put on the main line for the executive mansion. In the mean time we will have to possess our soul in patience until the outcome of the meeting materializes.

THE TASK IS GREAT.

We clipped the following from The Columbia State of Saturday, which explains itself:

To the Editor of The State:

Please find enclosed my check for \$5, to be used in defraying expenses in connection with the Conference for the Common Good, August 6-7. It is going to require very tactful and patient leadership to change the course of several hundred thousand of people from their beaten path. It is going to take a tremendous force to lift so many from the low levels of life. I have faith to believe we have that force, if only it can be properly applied. This conference is the beginning. May there be no ending until our people shall share in the common blessings afforded in this age and well favored land.

HUGH R. MURCHISON.

Lancaster, July 15.

Miss Orches Wilson of Charlotte, who has been spending a fortnight with Miss Ruth Gregory, will return home tonight, accompanied by Miss Gregory.

FROM OTHER PAPERS

"Extraordinary session" is right—The State.

Cheer up—crops are looking fine.—Greenville Piedmont.

Tell the world that Salisbury's The Place.—Salisbury Post.

The man who stops often to kick doesn't move forward very fast.—News and Courier.

By a special vote of Congress, Mulhall will probably be elected president of the Ananias Club.—Yorkville Enquirer.

This is the one season of the year when living in Western North Carolina is excusable.—Greenville Piedmont.

It can be taken for granted that the man who abuses the newspapers has at some time in his onery life had the truth told about him by the newspapers.—Anderson Mail.

When the bride begins to eat onions and the groom resurrects the strong old pipe he smoked when he was single, the honeymoon is all ready to beat it.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Georgia bank that plans to finance farmers who will sow more grain has no doubt struck upon the right method. About the only way to stop the all-cotton farmer is to buy him off.—Greenwood Journal.

The proposed plan of Senator E. D. Smith for hedging off the boll weevil may or may not possess real merit, this can only be decided by an intimate knowledge of the weevil infested region, but it serves to show that Senator Smith is constantly on the alert to promote the welfare of the farmers of the South. He seizes every opportunity to advance the interests of the tillers of the soil.—Edgefield Advertiser.

Will England have another poet laureate? In all the centuries the office has existed but few poets of renown have filled it, and there is a strong desire that it be abolished just as the office of court jester has been for a couple of centuries. But the English cling lovingly to old institutions and positions, even in this day of democracy, and it is likely a successor to Alfred Austin will sing on occasion the praises of the King. If England is short on poets Indiana can supply the want.—Orangeburg Times and Democrat.

The newspapers report that Governor Blease has pardoned or paroled 705 convicts since he went into office more than two years ago. We presume that the governor knows what he is about, but we would like for some one who knows to inform us how many convicts now remain in the state penitentiary. We would also like for some man of statistics to figure out and report how many will be left in limbo in January, 1914, and whether or not after that date the state will need a penitentiary.—Edgefield Chronicle.

The Balkan states have fallen out and a fierce war is raging between Bulgaria on one side and Greece, Serbia and Montenegro on the other. The loss of life already has been more than in the war of these states against Turkey. We sympathized with the allies but we have no sympathy for them now as they seem to have fallen out over the distribution of the spoils of war against Turkey. The powers should intervene and stop the immense loss of life but it seems they have decided not to interfere.—Abbeville Medium.

At present the biggest advertiser in South Carolina is the Isle of Palms Company of Charleston. This concern is using space by the page in many of the newspapers of this and adjoining states. That the campaign is paying will be evidenced to all who visit the resort. The people are flocking there by the thousands, going in larger numbers than at any time in the previous history of the resort. James Sotille, or whoever is responsible for the new policy of the company, is working along the right line. First, have something to advertise; then advertise it wisely and adequately. This combination will get results anywhere outside of a lunatic asylum.—Edgefield Chronicle.

We cannot pass over the death of Rev. W. C. Lindsay of Columbia without adding a tribute to his praise. It was impossible to come within the sphere of influence of this good and Godly man without being the better for it. God spared his life and he made it a long one in the land, and each year added to the sum of the good works that he did for his Master. Mr. Lindsay's life was a very beautiful one, one that inspired those who saw him to seek the source of his happiness and peace on earth. Such men are worth more than the wealth of India to the world, and there is no measure large enough for the expression of it.—Florence Times.

It is always possible and comparatively easy to raise capital in Summer for investment in bank stock, because the people of small means as well as the capitalists have confidence in the local banks as a safe and reasonably profitable investment. The same is true of local building and loan associations and also of the telephone factory. But when the attempt has been made to raise money for other enterprises, manufacturing or otherwise, it has been a work of extreme difficulty to interest the public and to secure subscriptions. This is due not so much to the scarcity of money as to the lack of confidence. The small capital needed for the shoe factory was raised with great difficulty, the success of the effort being made possible only by Mr. Witherpoon subscribing for a large block of stock. Now that the shoe factory



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is a going concern, with an established trade and a growing reputation, it is more favorably thought of and when it begins to pay big dividends those who had no money to invest in it at the start will be anxious to get in, and failing in this will take the lead in organizing another factory. There are many opportunities here, but until some far-sighted man with the courage of his convictions makes a success of an enterprise, it is hard to interest those who talk the most about starting something to build up the town and make a big Saturday night pay roll.—Sumter Watchman and Southron.

Many a farmer boy sweltering between the plow handles these long hot days thinks that it is his misfortune to have to keep so steadily at work from day to day and fancies that the boy who can spend his time in idleness is abundantly blessed. In later years it will be brought home to this same boy that he was exceedingly fortunate that he had the work habit instilled into his make-up in his younger days. Capacity for work is one of the most important essentials for success, and multitudes of failures may be charged up to sheer inability to lay hold of a job and push it energetically. The boy who comes to manhood without knowing by experience what it is to stay on a job patiently and continually from day to day until it is finished is poorly equipped to make a success at any line of endeavor. To be successful nothing is more important than the work habit and fortunate is the boy who comes to manhood with mind and hand trained to tackle a job and stay with it until it is finished.—Chesterfield Advertiser.

If we are to be frequently subject to droughts of several weeks' duration in this region it would be well for our farmers to familiarize themselves with the principles of dry farming as developed in the semi-arid regions of the West and North-west. It is not that we have come to any such necessity as confronts farmers out there, but a knowledge of what they do and why would come handy not infrequently here.

How they conserve moisture in the ground by persistently keeping a dust mulch over their fields so that moisture cannot seep through from below to the surface and escape is a matter of interest to us because there are times when we need the very same thing here. The fact is, deep ploughing and preparation and shallow but very frequent cultivation during the growing season is the way to farm anywhere and our up-to-date farmers are realizing this better every year. By pursuing this method, they can pretty nearly exempt themselves from liability to loss through droughts of moderate length and from severe loss at all in this climate.—Spartanburg Herald.

BACK AT US.

Too Much For DeCamp.

The Lancaster News wants President DeCamp to call an extraordinary session of the Press Association at some cool summer resort. The suggestion will hardly meet with the favor of DeCamp, who would not like to borrow two outfits in the same year.—Greenville Piedmont.

Others Besides.

To the Editor of The News: This is to notify you that other citizens besides "editors and niggers" would enjoy luscious water-melons these sweltering days. CITIZEN.

PELLAGRA RECEIVING STATION.

Government Will Establish Institution at Spartanburg.

Spartanburg, July 17.—Word was received here last night that the United States public health and marine hospital service will establish a receiving station in Spartanburg for pellagra patients. The announcement is made in a letter from Surgeon General Rupert Blue to Senator B. R. Tillman. It reads:

"In view of the urgent character of the outbreak of pellagra at Spartanburg, S. C., the necessity of advising in respect to the prevention and treatment of the disease and the opportunity thus afforded to secure patients for purposes of study in the marine hospital being used for pellagra investigations, it is expected that a receiving station or dispensary will be established at Spartanburg. This dispensary will be maintained for some time and will be in charge of an experienced officer. The dispensary will be provided with necessary facilities for such care as is rendered at our patient dispensaries."

Cracksmen Make Rich Haul of Jewelry.

New York, July 17.—Cracksmen secured jewelry valued at between \$20,000 and \$30,000 early today by blowing a safe in the establishment of Rosenberg and Daniel, a jewelry supply house. A large safe, containing a more valuable collection of jewels, withstood attempts to open it. The place robbed is on Grand street, only a few blocks from police headquarters.

Examination for West Point.

Senator Tillman announces a vacancy in the United States Military Academy at West Point, which will be filled from the state at large. Any bona fide resident of South Carolina, possessing the required qualities, is eligible to appointment.

The examination will cover the usual subjects, and any graduate of a first class high school or any student of a standard college, should have no difficulty in answering the questions. Applicants should be familiar with arithmetic, algebra, history, political and physical geography, spelling, punctuation, grammar, literature, composition and rhetoric.

The examination will be held at Davis College on the campus of the University of South Carolina, Columbia, beginning at 9 a. m., Friday, August 9. Young men entering the competition must bring their own writing materials.

Each applicant must also submit a physician's certificate of good health and sound bodily condition.

The examination will be in charge of J. E. Swearingen, E. D. Easterling, and H. C. Davis. Inquiries should be addressed to the State Superintendent of Education at Columbia.

Rid Your Children of Worms.

You can change fretful, ill-tempered children into healthy, happy youngsters, by ridding them of worms. Tossing, rolling, grinding of teeth, crying out while asleep, accompanied with intense thirst, pains in the stomach and bowels, feverishness and bad breath, are symptoms that indicate worms. Kickapoo Worm Killer, a pleasant candy lozenge, expels the worms, regulates the bowels, restores your children to health and happiness. Mrs. J. A. Brisbin, of Elgin, Ill., says: "I have used Kickapoo Worm Killer for years and entirely rid my children of worms. I would not be without it." Guaranteed. All druggists, or by mail. Price 25c. Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis.